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Senate

The Senate met at 9:30 a.m. and was called to order by the President pro tempore [Mr. STEVENS].

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Dr. Barry C. Black, offered the following prayer:

Let us pray.

Almighty and ever-living God, who is our light and our salvation, because of You we have a future and a hope. Your loving kindness is from everlasting to everlasting. Thank You for our opportunities to make this world better and to be instruments of Your love. Make us fit ambassadors of Your kingdom, as we invest in eternity.

Today, teach our Senators what You want them to do. Help them to trust Your wisdom and depend upon Your

guidance. May they prosper and be in health even as their souls prosper.

In this Thanksgiving season, we praise You because You are our rock, our fortress, our strength, our salvation, our savior, and our shield. We pray in Your holy Name. Amen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The President pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

RECOGNITION OF THE MAJORITY LEADER

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The majority leader is recognized.

SCHEDULE

Mr. FRIST. This morning the Senate will conduct a period for morning business until 10:30 a.m. Following morning business, we expect to begin the Energy Policy Act conference report. If we are unable to reach consent for a time limit on the Energy conference report, it may be necessary to file cloture during today's session. In all likelihood, the Senate also will be taking up other conference reports as they become available, as well as nominations

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